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Featured Tutorial: How to Add New Agents to Your Laboratory

Severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS) was first reported in Asia in February 2003. Over the next few months, the illness spread to more than two-dozen countries in North America, South America, Europe, and Asia, however is now considered to be contained. Like any infectious disease, the world runs the risk of SARS one day re-emerging. Currently, all of the DoD's military medical centers are capable of testing for the SARS-associated coronavirus (SARS-CoV). In order to

maintain the Directory's accuracy, this month's tutorial provides step-by-step instructions on how to update your laboratory's testing capabilities to include SARS or other infectious diseases. If you are in direct association with a DoD laboratory and are in need of editing privileges, please contact Twee Luong with the Directory of DoD Public Health Laboratory Services at luongt@afip.osd.mil or 202.782.2838 in order to upgrade your directory access privileges.

1. In order to access the system with a user name and password, laboratory and medical personnel must first register with the DoD Directory of Public Health Services. This can be accomplished by accessing the main website at <http://198.97.78.142/vphl/VPHLASP/LoginAdmin.asp>, scrolling down to the bottom of the page, and clicking on the **REGISTER** button. The "New User Profile" will appear as seen in Image 1.
2. Fill in as much information as possible, ensuring that contact information is current and allows for a direct link to the POC of the laboratory. To ensure access privileges, select the purpose of your visit from the pull-down menu.

Image 1: New User Profile

NEW USER PROFILE

We do not have any record of your Username and Password
Please enter all your information below so you can be registered

First Name: **Required
Last Name: **Required
Address:
Address1:
Address2:
City:
State:
Zip:
Country:
Work Number:
Work Ext:
Other Phone Number:
Fax Number:
Work E-Mail: **Required
Other E-Mail:
Title:
Grade:
Rank:
Department:
Branch:
Purpose Of Visit: Searching existing DoD Laboratories

3. An email will be sent within 30 minutes confirming the new user name and password. Once registered, new laboratory listings can be quickly uploaded and added to the comprehensive list of entries for immediate use. Entries can also be easily edited and amended to ensure that all information is current and correct.

4. Using your user name and password, log into the Directory. From the main page, click on the **LABORATORY** button at the top of the page and then **LIST ALL LABORATORIES** from the drop-down menu. The “Medical Laboratories” pages will appear as that seen in Image 2.
5. Choose your laboratory from the list provided by clicking in the corresponding circle on the left of the entry and then clicking the **EDIT** button at the bottom of the screen.

Image 2: Medical Laboratories

MEDICAL LABORATORIES				
Found 42 Records, Displaying Page 1 of 3.				
	Name	ACRONYM	Point Of Contact	Zip Code
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	Armed Forces Institute of Pathology - Infectious Disease	AFIP	Dr. Ted Hadfield	20306
<input type="radio"/>	Armed Forces Institute of Pathology - Cellular Pathology	AFIP	Dr. Jack Lichy	20306
<input type="radio"/>	Armed Forces Research Institute of Medical Sciences	AFRIMS		10400
<input type="radio"/>	Air Force Epidemiology Lab - HIV	BAFB	Ms. Pat Gruse	78235-5132
<input type="radio"/>	Air Force Epidemiology Lab - Virology	BAFB	Ms. Linda Canas	78235-5132
<input type="radio"/>	Air Force Epidemiology Lab - Bacteriology	BAFB	Mr. John Gaines	78235-5132
<input type="radio"/>	Air Force Epidemiology Lab	BAFB	Dr. Kent Lohman	78235
<input type="radio"/>	Air Force Epidemiology Lab - Immunology	BAFB	Ms. Sylvia Trevino	78235-5132
<input type="radio"/>	Brooke Army Medical Center	BAMC	LTC William Nauschuetz	78234-6200
<input type="radio"/>	CDC Specimen Processing	CDC	Dr. Douglas Altman	30333
<input type="radio"/>	CDC Special Pathogens	CDC	Dr. Thomas G. Ksiazek	30333
<input type="radio"/>	CDC Arbovirus Diseases Branch	CDC	Dr. Anthony A. Morfin	30333
<input type="radio"/>	CDC Infectious Disease Pathology	CDC	Dr. Sherif R. Zaki	30333
<input type="radio"/>	Eisenhower Army Medical Center	EAMC	CPT Edward Ager	30905
<input type="radio"/>	Keesler Medical Center	KEESLER	Maj David Ingraham	35954-2519
<input type="radio"/>	Landstuhl Regional Medical Center	LRMC	CPT Stuart Tyner	09180
<input type="radio"/>	Madigan Army Medical Center	MAMC		98431
<input type="radio"/>	Malcolm Grow Medical Center - Andrews AFB	MGMC	Capt Madeline Sumera	20762
<input type="radio"/>	Naval Medical Research Unit #2	NAMRU-2	CAPT Andrew L. Corwin	10570
<input type="radio"/>	Naval Medical Research Unit #3	NAMRU-3	HM1 Teodoro Gago	12345
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<input type="button" value="Detail"/> <input type="button" value="Add"/> <input type="button" value="Delete"/> <input type="button" value="Edit"/> <input type="button" value="Search"/>				

6. You will then view the detailed information for your laboratory (Image 3). Take a moment to verify that all information is correct, including the names, email addresses, and phone numbers for the current POCs and Laboratory Directors. After making any changes, click **EDIT/UPDATE RECORD** at the bottom of the page in order to save the information.
7. To list the laboratory's testing capabilities, click on each respective pull-down menu and choose the proper agent (Coronavirus (SARS-associated)), disease (SARS), and test (ex. PCR). Also enter whether the specific test is FDA approved, and the estimated turnaround time for completion of testing. When an entry is complete, press **ADD LAB TEST INFORMATION** located directly below the pull-down menus.

Image 3: Laboratory Detail

LABORATORIES

LABORATORY NAME: Armed Forces Institute of Pathology
 LABORATORY ACRONYM: AFIP
 LOCATION: ☒ COMUS ☐ CONUS
 LABORATORY ADDRESS: 1500 Georgia Ave., NW
 LABORATORY 2ND ADDRESS:
 LABORATORY CITY: Washington
 LABORATORY STATE: District of Columbia
 LABORATORY COUNTRY: United States
 LABORATORY ZIP: 20306
 LABORATORY DIRECTOR: Dr. Ted Hadfield
 DIRECTOR'S PHONE: 202-782-1063
 E-MAIL: hadfield@afip.osd.mil
 LABORATORY POINT OF CONTACT: Dr. Ted Hadfield
 LABORATORY PHONE: 202-782-1063
 LABORATORY FAX: 202-782-7477
 LABORATORY TYPE: Microbiology
 LABORATORY E-MAIL: hadfield@afip.osd.mil
 TYPE OF CERTIFICATION: CAP
 LABORATORY DSN: 952
 SITE CERTIFIED: ☒ Yes

WEB SITE LINKS: Add Web Link
 Armed Forces Institute of Pathology - Department of Infectious & Parasitic Diseases

Lab Assignments

AGENT NAME	DISEASE NAME	TYPE OF TEST	FDA - APPROVED	TURNAROUND TIME
Bacillus anthracis	Anthrax	Culture		7 - 10 days
Bacillus anthracis	Anthrax	TO		7 - 10 days
Bacillus anthracis	Anthrax	S&S Presumptive		7 - 10 days
Beriberia beriberis	Beriberia (Carnegie's disease)	TO		7 - 10 days
Beriberia beriberis	Beriberia (Carnegie's disease)	Culture		7 - 10 days

Add New Lab Assignment

AGENT NAME: ALL AGENTS
 DISEASE NAME: ALL DISEASES
 TYPE OF TEST: ALL Test Types
 FDA - APPROVED: ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A
 TURNAROUND TIME:

Add Lab Test Information

Add New Record Edit/Update Record Delete Record List All Laboratories Advance Entry

8. Repeat Step 7 for every agent for which the laboratory is capable of testing. In the event that a single agent or disease has more than one type of test available, each test requires its own individual entry following the directions as stated above. When all entries are complete, press **EDIT/UPDATE RECORD** in order to save all entered information.

Important Reminders:

- The Directory is now available online 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. It is linked through the AFIP and GEIS Homepages for easy access and can also be searched using Yahoo, Google, or other search engines
- All laboratory information must be validated – it is imperative that you register your laboratory for access and then login to update its published information.
- The Directory of DoD Public Health Laboratory Services would like to extend our apologies to those new users who registered since last August newsletter and did not receive a confirmatory email with a user name and password. Unfortunately, due to “viral” problems with our server, there was a delay in obtaining passwords for access to the Directory. We have since located the source of the problem and it has been remedied. We apologize for any inconvenience and we thank you again for your participation.